

Case study: WORKING PEOPLE

The Liberals introduced many reforms which helped ordinary working people. The most important was the National Insurance Act of 1911. National Insurance Act Part 1 dealt mainly with health care for sick workers. Part 2 dealt mainly with helping workers who were unemployed.

In this case study you are going to study a number of sources from the time. These sources will help you to decide whether you think the Liberals' actions to help working people were major achievements or not.

SOURCES:

Poster on National Insurance, 1911



National Health Insurance contributions card



Meeting of Lloyd George and Friendly Societies



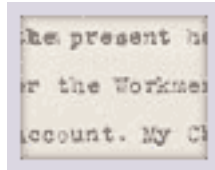
Footballers and National Insurance, 1912



Ironmoulders and National Insurance, 1913



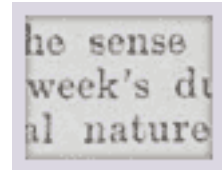
Employers and National Insurance, 1911



Extracts from the 'Labour Gazette', 1913



The 'Labour Gazette' on Labour Exchanges, 1913



HOW TO USE THE SOURCES IN THIS CASE STUDY :

You can use these case study sources in two ways:

THE BIG QUESTION

All of the sources in this case study have been chosen to help you decide why people criticised the Liberal reforms and whether they were justified. These sources will be useful mainly for the 'Achievements' and 'Awkward' files, but there may be some useful material for the Attack file as well.

- Study each source carefully – use the questions to help you get the most from the source.
- Choose sources which contain points Lloyd George can make from this source about Liberal achievements
- Use the worksheet to make a note of sections he could quote in his speech

EXAM PRACTICE

If you want to get some practice on examination type questions, just go to or download the Practice Questions.

Don't forget – if there are words or phrases in the sources which you cannot understand, try the glossary!